

#### RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

## Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review, Request for Comments

Summary: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) is forwarding an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and approval by OIRA ensures that we impose appropriate paperwork burdens.

The RRB invites comments on the proposed collection of information to determine (1) the practical utility of the collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information that is the subject of collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments to the RRB or OIRA must contain the OMB control number of the ICR. For proper consideration of your comments, it is best if the RRB and OIRA receive them within 30 days of the publication date.

Under Section 12 of the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) may pay benefits to a representative payee when an employee, spouse or survivor annuitant is incompetent or is a minor. A representative payee may be a court-appointed guardian, a statutory conservator or an individual selected by the RRB. The procedures pertaining to the appointment and responsibilities of a representative payee are prescribed in 20 CFR 266.

The forms furnished by the RRB to apply for representative payee status, and for securing the information needed to support the application follow. RRB Form AA-5, *Application for* 

Substitution of Payee, obtains information needed to determine the selection of a representative

payee who will serve in the best interest of the beneficiary. RRB Form G-478, Statement

Regarding Patient's Capability to Manage Benefits, obtains information about an annuitant's

capability to manage their own benefits. The form is completed by the annuitant's personal

physician or by a medical officer, if the annuitant is in an institution. It is not required when a

court has appointed an individual or institution to manage the annuitant's funds or, in the

absence of such appointment, when the annuitant is a minor. The RRB also provides

representative payees with a booklet at the time of their appointment. The booklet, RRB Form

RB-5, Your Duties as Representative Payee-Representative Payee's Record, advises

representative payees of their responsibilities under 20 CFR 266.9 and provides a means for

the representative payee to maintain records pertaining to the receipt and use of RRB benefits.

The booklet is provided for the representative payee's convenience. The RRB also accepts

records that are kept by representative payee's as part of a common business practice.

Completion is voluntary. One response is requested of each respondent.

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (78

FR 23599 on April 19, 2013) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no

comments.

Information Collection Request (ICR)

Title: Application to Act as Representative Payee

OMB Control Number: 3220-0052

Forms submitted: AA-5, G-478, and RB-5

Type of request: Revision of a currently approved collection

Affected public: Individuals or Households; Business or other for Profit

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# Abstract:

Under Section 12 of the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) may pay benefits to a representative payee when an employee, spouse or survivor annuitant is incompetent or is a minor. The collection obtains information related to the representative payee application, supporting documentation and the maintenance of records pertaining to the receipt and use of benefits.

### Changes proposed:

The RRB is proposing non-burden impacting editorial changes to Form AA-5 and the RB-5 booklet. No changes are proposed for Form G-478.

## The burden estimate for the ICR is as follows:

Form Number	Annual Responses	Time (Minutes)	Burden (Hours)
AA-5 Individuals Institutions	3,000 2,250 750	17	<u>850.0</u> 637.5 212.5
G-478	2,000	6	200.0
RB-5 Individuals Institutions	15,300 11,475 3,825	60	<u>15,300</u> 11,475 3,825
Total	20,300		16,350

Additional Information or Comments: Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Dana Hickman at (312) 751-4981 or <a href="mailto:Dana.Hickman@RRB.GOV">Dana.Hickman@RRB.GOV</a>.

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